

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

March 30, 2010

Gary Toczylowski Bayer Healthcare Bayer Diabetes Care 555 White Plains Road Tarrytown, NY 10591

Re: Oversight at Himco Dump Superfund site in Indiana

Dear Mr. Toczylowski:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is writing you concerning oversight at Himco Dump Superfund Site in Indiana. We are offering to meet with you to discuss methods for improving oversight billing and the oversight process. If you would like to meet to discuss this oversight bill or these methods, please contact Rosauro del Rosario, Remedial Project Manager at (312) 886-6195 to set a date and time on which you would like to meet.

The offer to discuss oversight with you is a part of the Agency's efforts to implement administrative changes to the Superfund Program to make clean-up actions faster and fairer. Under the Superfund Administrative Reform on improving the management of Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) oversight, EPA has affirmed its commitment to conduct appropriate oversight while ensuring protective clean-ups, and to send oversight bills to PRPs in a timely manner. Maintaining an open dialogue with PRPs about oversight expectations and PRP performance can improve the billing process for response actions.

The Agency oversight allows for the proper development and implementation of a protective clean-up, the careful consideration of associated costs to the performing party, and the maximum recovery of EPA oversight costs. EPA anticipates that an open dialogue at this Site will foster ongoing communication concerning the site with the PRPs and the interests of the community.

Sincerely,

Denise Ratliff

**Superfund Oversight Billing Coordinator** 

cc: Rosauro del Rosario

Remedial Project Manager

Larry Johnson 
Associate Regional Counsel